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FRANK GILBERT FORMER McGILL STUDENT DEAD

Was Connected With Many Engineering Enterprises.

AT McGILL IN SIXTIES.

He Was the Manufacturer of the the First Rifled Cannon Made in Canada.

The death occurred at his residence in Westmount during the week, of a noted McGill past student in the person of Frank Gilbert, C.E., who was in attendance at the University in the sixties. Mr. Gilbert was connected during his professional career with a number of the most noted of Canadian engineering enterprises, and secured notoriety through the manufacture by him of the first rifled cannon in Canada.

After he had completed his studies, Mr. Gilbert started in 1870 in the foundry business, which he carried on for several years. He then joined his father and brother, Walter, in the firm of E. E. Gilbert and Sons, engineers and contractors, known also as the Gilbert Blasting and Dredging Co., and the Canada Engine Works. On the death of his father, he became the senior partner in the company. This company was the first in Canada to introduce the chain tug for submarine drilling.

Mr. Gilbert took an active part in the drilling and blasting of submarine rock at the upper entrance of the Lachine Canal in 1877. This work was successfully carried out, a new system of submarine drilling being adopted by the firm for the first time.

On the completion of the Lachine work, he took charge of the Galops Rapids work, just west of Cardinal, Ont. It was at about this time that the firm changed its name from the Gilbert Drilling and Blasting Co. to the Gilbert Bros. Engineering Co. The work of the Gilberts at Galops Rapids has been conceded by many eminent engineers as one of the most difficult pieces of engineering work ever accomplished, it meant the removal of a hard grey limestone from water with a current running from eight to ten miles.

Old Montrealers will remember the old Canada Engine Works, in their day, the largest and best equipped foundry in the Dominion. One of the many large orders handled by this firm and one which will speak of the thoroughness of its work, was for a battery of boilers and pumping engines for the lower level reservoir, which are still in use to-day.

Perhaps the most interesting, certainly the most historical of the many achievements of Mr. Gilbert, and one which brought him a great deal before the public eye, was the making of the first rifled cannon in Canada. Taking several of the old 24-pounder smooth bore guns from St. Helen's Island, the works of the Gilberts, under the personal direction of the late engineer, converted these into 64-pounder guns with a rifle's barrel. In the same manner a number of old cannon captured from the Russians in the Crimean war, which had found their way out to Canada, were treated and converted.

This early accomplishment brought Frank Gilbert directly under the notice of the Marquis of Lorne, Governor-General of Canada, and also of the Princess Louise. Frequently during the progress of the work the vice-regal party made visits to the Gilbert Works to see the transformation. An interesting photograph is in possession of the family, showing the late Mr. Gilbert's father, and the Marquis of Lorne, standing side by side, near one of the converted cannon.

Dr. L. P. Bender.

A Quebec despatch says that Dr. Louis Prosper Bender passed away on Thursday morning at 78 St. Louis St., after an illness of only two weeks. Born July 30, 1844, a son of the late L. P. Bender, advocate, of this city, deceased was in his 73rd year. He was a widower for a number of years, but is survived by one daughter, Miss Eva Bender, of this city, and one son, Ludwig, who resides in the United States; also by three brothers, Messrs. Eugene N. Bender, general purchasing agent of the C.P.R., Montreal; Alfred Bender, of Montreal, and Ernest Bender, of St. Lambert, near Montreal.

The late Dr. Bender was educated at the Quebec Seminary, and at McGill, where he graduated M.D. in 1865. Later he was admitted to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. In 1868 he married Miss A. E. Scott, daughter of the late A. S. Scott, of this city. He went to the United States, and served on the staff of the Northern Army during a por-

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STUART FORBES MARRIED.

Lieut. D. Stuart Forbes, M.C., Sci. '15, former well known McGill football player and the winner of the Military Cross for his good work with machine guns on the Ypres front in June last, was married on December 31 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Paddington, London, to Miss Marian McDonald, daughter of Mrs. John McDonald, 293 Peel street, Montreal. Lieut. Forbes went across with the First Universities Company, and won his commission in the field. The invention by him of a new sight for machine guns has won marked praise from the War Office.

BASKETBALLERS TO PLAY AT McDONALD

Both Teams Make Trip To-day to Take Farmers in Camp.

The basketball teams will play their second games of the season to-day, when they meet Macdonald at Macdonald, this afternoon. This trip is always popular around the University, because of the special attractions that undoubtedly exist for McGill men. It is expected that there will be skating in the evening, as in former years, and the men who have ever had ocasion to visit Macdonald or take survey field work out there realize what good times are in store for them every time that they make the trip. Aside from the fine ice and the presence of many fair "teachers," there will be an opportunity to view the actions of one of McGill's most justly famous athletic teams, one which has always come out near the top, and frequently at the top, in its particular field of endeavor. That it has done so repeatedly in spite of an almost total lack of support by McGill men makes their efforts all the more creditable.

That the first team will come back to Montreal to-night with one more win to their credit does not seem at all doubtful. The team is composed of nearly the same men that formed last year's champion five in the senior division of the Provincial League. While Johnny Ferguson has gone overseas and Williscroft has graduated, the team is otherwise intact, and even then has Upham, who alternated with Williscroft last year at guard, to strengthen the defensive. Fox is a new man on the team who seems to warrant the assertion that he is at least as good a man as Johnny Ferguson was, though not as capable in the shooting line. Harry Ferguson was out for the first time on Thursday night, and livened up the practice considerably. He seems to be there with his old pep, even after his long siege of sickness, and will likely prove the same sensational shot that he was last season.

The seond team is a hard working bunch who are out to win at the start, and should be able to do it, unless they encounter some unsuspected good playing by the farmers. While some of them are by no means seasoned players, they make up in intensity what they lack in that line. They won their first game against Railway two weeks ago.

CITY LEAGUE RACE GROWS INTERESTING

Is Anybody's Race at End of First Half.

McGILL MAY HAVE EDGE.

Only Game McGill Lost Was Due to Team's Overconfidence in Themselves.

That the City League race this year has been one of the most peculiar that has ever happened, seems more and more borne out as the days go by, and sensation after sensation has been sprung on the fans who are fortunate enough to be interested in one or more teams in the League. In the first place, that old standby "Dr. Dope" has failed signally every evening he has entered into the pre-battle determinations of the old standbys. At least one unexpected spurt or form reversal has appeared on every League night, and still there is nothing definite to point to any one team having a greater chance than another at copping the honors. Three teams are now tied for first place. They all have a chance to win out yet one of them may be the coming champion, but which one will it be? Every team in the league has played a miserable brand of hockey on at least one appearance. On the other hand, every team has appeared at one time or another with the pep and verve which mark hockey of the highest type, tearing down the ice like whirlwinds, and notching goal after goal against teams which no one admitted, even themselves, they had any chance of beating. It is a peculiar situation. The only thing that stands out clearly is the fact that any team that clutches the rag at the end of the season will not do so wthout being aware that they have had to "hump it" to get up in front. It might be well to recall to McGill men some of the many strange features of the race. First, no less than six of the fifteen games so far played have been won on the narrow margin of one point. Two others have resulted in ties, and the remaining seven, while by no means as close in score, were nevertheless well contested to the finish. Here are some of the facts: the three college teams, McGill, Loyola and Laval, are tied for the leadership; Shamrocks, in fourth place, are only half a game behind; and Nationals, who were not expected to figure to any great extent in the upper three, was the cause of the Loyola team being tied instead of out ahead by half a game.

By far the greater portion of the fans expected from the play of the first night that there was nothing to the race except Laval and the Soldiers. This was based on the fine showing of the Soldiers against the

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FIRST SKATING PARTY USUAL FINE SUCCESS

Conducted Along Similar Lines to Last Year's.

ABOUT SIXTY COUPLES.

The Weather Was Ideal for Skating, and the Ice Was in Excellent Condition.

The Y. M. C. A.—Y. W. C. A. skating party, held last night at the Campus Rink, was, if possible, an even more complete success than the functions held last year under the same auspices. The attendance was large, and all the skaters turned up sharp on time at eight o'clock at Strathcona Hall. By about a quarter to nine the business of filling out the programmes was completed, and thoughts began to turn to the rink. During this time the introduction committee was most active, and all thanks are due to them for their untiring efforts to get everyone acquainted.

The same procedure was followed in the matter of putting on skates as was adopted last year. The ladies put on theirs at the rink, while the men were donning their harness at the Hall. When all were ready the eager swains ran across the snowy campus to the ice, and the first band begun. The music, of the usual high class, was provided by a hand organ specially obtained for the occasion.

The weather, which was ideal at the beginning of the evening, grew somewhat colder towards the end, but nothing could check the enjoyment of the skaters. The ice, which was just hard enough, became very much cut up in a short time, and several spills were caused, but no one was injured, and the mishaps produced only merriment. The accumulation of snow and ice-chips on the surface was prevented by careful cleaning, which saved the labour of those who skated both bands and intermission.

Very little trouble seemed to arise in the finding of partners, which had on former occasions caused many a hitch. The initials placed in conspicuous positions round the boards undoubtedly were a great help to identification.

When even the most enthusiastic devotees of skating were ready to admit that they were ready to give up this form of amusement in favour of other more solid pleasures, the whole party adjourned to the Hall. There the ample refreshments provided by those in charge were thoroughly enjoyed by all, and the loud buzz of talk that arose proved that the demolishing of sandwiches and cake was no obstacle to conversation.

Finally, after the singing of "Good-Night, Ladies!" and the National Anthem, the party broke up, and the ladies, accompanied by their faithful partners, wended their way homewards. All who were present agreed in calling this the most enjoyable function of the kind ever held at McGill in recent years, and voiced a hope that there would shortly be another, when an even larger attendance is expected.

Miss Hurlbatt, in her usual inimitable way, acted as hostess, and all thanks are due both her and the committee in charge for the able manner in which they combined to make the affair a success.

The Queen's senior hockey team has not yet won a game this season.

BASKETBALL TEAMS.

The Basketball teams will leave Bonaventure Station at 1.30 this afternoon to meet the Macdonald teams at Macdonald. The game will be played in the afternoon at three o'clock, in the gymnasium of the Men's Residence, and it is essential that every man be on hand to catch the train, as no later train will get them there in time for the game. The following men are requested to be on hand at Bonaventure Station: — Pitts, Heartz, Fox, Ferguson, Neilson, Upham, Vaughan, Bourke, MacPhail, Busten, McGregor, McCarthy, Fitzgerald.

LECTURE IS APPRECIATED.

The current issue of the Electrical News contains the lecture delivered by Professor Herdt before the Electrical Club in December, and printed at that time in the Daily, verbatim. That the paper of the electrical profession should look upon this paper as one with great technical importance, speaks well for the progressiveness and ability of the faculty in that line.

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AFTERMATH OF THE EXAMS.

The examinations are now a thing of the past for most of the students, and we are in danger of sinking back into a state of somnolence and inactivity. It is, unfortunately, almost invariably the case that when the student has passed through a series of hard tests with more or less success, he thinks himself at perfect liberty to cast away all thought of his work until the next series of examinations approaches. This is the fundamental error in the system of studying of most men; they do not distribute their work equally over the period allotted to them. Instead they let matters slide completely, hushing the protests of conscience with that old cry, "Wait just a couple of weeks; then I'll start working like the dickens." This method may be successful in helping a student to squeeze through exams. by the narrowest of margins; but it is not giving him a liberal education by any means. Not merely is this so, but it is even dangerous to the health of the youthful learner who chooses it. Any system that sends a man out of the room after the last exam. with colored spots before his eyes, a sick headache, wobbling legs and a bad taste in his mouth must be wrong from the start. Yet nearly every student can testify to the fact that half the men in his faculty experience sensations similar to that above at the end of each set of term examinations.

The true system, of course, is the one where all the work to be done is divided into nice equal portions of no great size, and one portion annihilated each day. All of us must admit that if we could only attack our studies in this way, the examinations would hold no terrors for us. The ideal state of affairs would be that which permitted of the completion of the work about two weeks before exam-time, leaving that period for a careful and judicious revisal, with no need for the desperate "cramming" that invariably takes place. How many students have achieved this ideal state, however? We leave the answer to our readers.

All this may seem very discouraging at first, but the remedy is simply a matter of trying and of getting started right away. It may safely be stated that as much time is wasted immediately after the mid-term examinations as at the beginning of the term. And that is saying a good deal. We do not mean to say that every student should begin to work madly forthwith, to end up with nervous prostration or some similar malady by April. But we can all profit by our mistakes before Christmas, and divide our work in such a fashion that the exams. will find us prepared without any six days' horror to be endured just before them. If one once lets his work get out of hand, it is a painfully hard task to catch up, and, in any case, it is never as thoroughly digested as if taken piece-meal.

MODERN SUBJECTS.

Some time ago the New York newspapers obtained the results of some tests upon present day subjects which had been inflicted upon the long suffering undergraduates of a couple of Universities. The results were exceedingly poor, and so the papers started the customary song and dance upon the ignorance of college men and so forth. And though, as usual, the whole subject was much exaggerated, there is no doubt that college men do not possess so much information upon any present day subject, and specially upon modern writers, as they should. To remedy this it has been frequently suggested that there could be courses on the desired subjects, but this would be impossible in that it is necessary for a considerable time to elapse before a trustworthy judgment can be made on the work of any man. It has been suggested recently, however, that since a formal course is out of the question, perhaps there could be a series of lectures by members of the Faculty upon the subjects in question. Of course, no Faculty member would care to stand up and endeavor to say definitely what place in literature such a man would finally occupy, but he could explain what the writer in question means to him, and in general give his reaction to the work of the man under discussion.

This very excellent arrangement could be extended to other valuable and interesting fields. Let us say that the series would include roughly a dozen talks, to be given at stated intervals during the winter months by various members of the Faculty. One member of the English Department could give, say, two talks on the state of the English Novel to-day, mentioning the leaders in this line and their works. Another member of the Faculty could give another two talks upon the Drama to-day, both English and American, with the prominent figures in each country. The poetry of the present time, Rupert Brooke and the younger generation, could be dealt with perhaps in another two talks, probably by a member of the English Department. Then could come another pair of lectures on the general dominant ideas of time, Shaw, Wells, Chesterton, and the other men who are influencing and molding the thought of the world to-day. One talk on the Essay would probably complete the English Subjects. Then a member of the French Department could give two talks on French Literature. The philosophy of the present time might be dealt with in a lecture by a member of that Department and perhaps two lectures might be given to the consideration of modern Art, by a member of that Department.

There cannot be any doubt that explanation of the moderns is just as necessary for an adequate understanding and enjoyment of them as is an interpretation of men of other times. There is no question, either, that many undergraduates are and all ought to be interested in them. It is to be hoped sincerely that next year at the latest will see such a series established.—The Daily Princetonian.

John D. Rockefeller announced recently that he had donated $2,000,000 for a new medical department at Chicago university, which will surpass any similar institution in the country. In addition to this sum, the versity itself will raise $5,000,000 and will give the site, valued at $500,000, for the school.

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ON NEATNESS.

No greater vice probably can be found throughout the long list of ress mankind than the vice of neatness. A hypocritical creaking under the reputation of a virtue, and thus lulling to sleep the consciences of its devotees, nay, more, they even take it for their pride and boast. But, alas! come to study into the nature of this dread charic, and then indeed it is revealed with all the glaring suite of ruin and madness which is generally attributed to such habits as drunkenness and ambition.

In one respect only we find in this pernicious habit a similarity to virtue; or I should rather say, to the commonly accepted definition of virtues—it is exceedingly disagreeable to practice; no primrose path is trodden by the sinner who sets forth on the downward path of neatness. As an immediate conclusion one can see with half a glance that it is not the weak minded who are thus affected. Indeed, one of the redeeming virtues of the weak and the idle is that they are sweetly untidy. The quality is generally inborn, even in the actions of an infant we can generally judge; he is either that wholly detestable prig who is for ever worrying himself and others about his scattered playthings and the spot on his bib, or else the sweet, happy-go-lucky youngster, too interested in the doing of life to waste time over those negative employments of undoing what has just been accomplished by putting away all his little treasures. As the body and mind grow and develop this awful quality strengthens likewise. The child of three who refuses to go for a motor ride because she has spilt her beads and each one must be picked up and dusted, grows up into a girl who is a torment to her brothers, a continual fly in the ointment to her busy, energetic Mother, and a hopeless incumbrance at camp. But the awful fate is seen in its worst only in later life; no such person is ever married. What man would burden himself with such a double-pointed thorn in the flesh? So then, behold the last sad picture: An ancient spinster of the most acid type, her face absolutely expressionless, for her life has been spent "putting away" not "taking out"; also it would not be tidy to have wrinkles, even if come with "mirth and laughter." Her temper has been spoiled by the never-ending vexation of untidiness around her in the streets and other persons' habits. She has no sense of humour for the two are incompatible. Her bodily health is a wreck, for all life long she has slaved over the bitter and unending toil of putting away other peoples' belongings. Her dress and appearance is that awful monotony which only appears in that which is flawless— not one hair looks comfortable or loose, not a fold is there in her dress, all is straight and deadly even. Once an artist was introduced to her; he fainted continuously for 2 1-2 hours, and afterwards sent her a book on the "Greek Ideal of Beauty," describing its exquisite curves and irregularities. The book, however, had been so much used that the poor lady took to her bed for three weeks, and on at last recovering she spent three weeks more glueing in each under page, removing the inserts, ironing out dogears, rubbing out the marks and notes which had been the product of years of labour. The unhappy artist never recovered from the shock of the return of that book.

But perhaps it would be well to examine this dread disease in more detail. There is none but will understand the evils to the persons themselves who have been possessed by this mania. Never can they enjoy a moment's peace, for there is always in their or more remote neighborhood, some small measure of deviation from their standard of perfect neatness, and they can never accomplish anything, for they spend their whole time and thought, their whole physical and mental energy, in striving to find means to rectify this lapse. But so strongly has the idea of virtue been connected with this habit, that perchance even yet some will look upon them as self-denying martyrs, sacrificing their lives for the good of their fellow-men. True, they think it is for the good of their fellow men, so did the inquisition. But for one moment glance at the conditions of the unhappy companions of this maniac. There instantly rises before my eyes the picture of the white-haired gentleman who pathetically rejoiced in the condition of the room where two maidens were engaged with all the litter of amateur dressmaking, and remarked shamefacedly that it was nice to see things, not to have anything too straight. Who is acquainted with the awful cousin who whisks away work-basket, notebook, irons, everything that you may laboriously have prepared for some intricate task? Patterns are lost, pencils are never seen again, or only in the last stages of existence in a small brother's pocket, the work of years has been frustrated at one fell swoop. Again, let me present to your mournful gaze another tragedy. Think for one moment of the tidy servant girl. They are rare, I know, practically extinct, but a few have existed, and are preserved in alcohol. Scene, your desk, time, 11.30 a.m., after you have spent half the morning preparing notes for a 30-page essay that must be handed in to-morrow. You rush out to a lecture in which you have already sloped your limit. At 12 you hasten home, burning with new ideas, and you find your room swept and garnished. Every book, so carefully marked and placed, has been returned to a bookcase. The paper placed ready to your hand is neatly put away to be found two weeks later in the bottom of your drawer. Your notes have been consigned to the wastepaper basket, and thence to the ash barrel. Your typewritten list of requirements you find six months later, shut up in a dictionary; it is well indeed if the maddened and despairing student can refrain from suicide.

Or look at it in its slighter but no less provoking forms. Here is the student who refuses to tear a page out of his notebook, and aid a fellow in time of need, because it spoils the look of it. There is another who failed in his exams. because he stopped to rub out each mistake he made, and here is yet another who refuses to write an exercise and hand it in "because the corrections make it look so untidy."

Alas, in the face of such appalling considerations, my heart fails me, and I turn away shuddering and in tears.

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Some Fellows Get Cold

They don't seem to be able to stand the ice and snow. They try to, poor chaps, but don't enjoy themselves. Why is it? Not enough blood perhaps. The furnace inside isn't working right. Maybe it hasn't the proper sort of fuel to work on. There's a lot in this!

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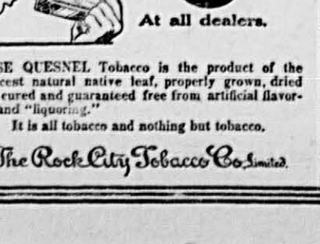

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JUNIOR HOCKEY.

The Junior Hockey team will hold a practice on the Campus Rink this afternoon at 2 o'clock. All the members are requested to turn out.

BIBLE CLASSES SUNDAY.

The regular Bible Classes conducted by the Y. M. C. A. will meet on Sunday at 10 a.m., in the following rooms of the Hall:

Mr. M. G. Brooks will meet Mr. Corbett's class in the Reading Room.

L. H. Derrer will meet F. B. Common's class in Room A.

K. P. Tsolainos will meet his class in Room C.

H. E. Reilly will meet his class in Room E.

Any of the students who wish to join one of these classes for the rest of the term will be heartily welcomed. The term closes the first week in March.

CITY LEAGUE RACE GROWS INTERESTING.
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Laval team, the personnel of which was practically the same as that which gave the champion M. A. A. A. team such a run for first honors last year. This at the time seemed to be enough to give an indication in that direction. How far the dopester went wrong is easily seen. Loyola won their first game in senior company on this night. This was not looked upon as significant at the time, but the fact remains that the three teams that won on that night are still tied for leadership. On the second night, Shamrocks were the dark horses. No one suspected that they were to outstrip the swift Young and force the Soldiers to a defeat with practically the same ease with which the Laval contingent did it the week before, nor did anyone at that time concede that the Shamrocks possessed enough class to trouble the leaders. But they did it. It was not till the third series of games that it was realized fully that McGill and Loyola were contenders for the first place.

It was assumed that they had the easy part of their schedule, and that was the reason they won. When Loyola downed the Soldiers and McGill tied with Laval, an entirely different aspect was put on the matter, and they loomed up for the first time as formidable rivals. The Shamrocks, fresh from their trip to Pittsburg, simply took the game that McGill handed them, in the next week's game. McGill had no reason for tossing the game away at that critical juncture, except the old alibi about over-confidence. That appears to be the real reason, though. The Soldiers finally obtained a taste of victory when they beat Nationals. The greatest surprises were furnished in the last week's games, when a tie by Nationals, forced Loyola to come down to McGill's and Laval's standing. Shamrocks were beaten and dropped back.

While the League is so closely contested that nothing very definite can be gained from a casual inspection, it is probable that McGill has the best chances just as a matter of dope.

The one defeat McGill had was a case of sadly abused confidence such as will not in all probability occur again. It necessitates, however, a good deal of care on the part of the hockey management to see that it does not happen, because the teams are all so good at times that almost any team is just as likely to turn the trick as the Shamrocks. If McGill gets past the Laval game with flying colors, there should be no reason why the League championship should not rest on the shoulders of McGill's men for a change.

FRANK GILBERT FORMER McGILL STUDENT DEAD
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tion of the Civil War, and in this connection came under the personal notice of General Grant. Returning to Quebec, he practised his profession according to the principles of homeopathy. He had a strong literary bent and considerable ability. He was a frequent contributor to various periodicals, and wrote a series of biographical sketches of prominent men of Quebec, which attracted much attention and evoked favorable criticism. He published in 1831 "Literary Sheaves," and in 1882 "Old and New Canada." He was a member of a literary circle known as the Pleiade de St. Maurice, among whose membership were such notable kindred spirits as Joseph Marmette, Oscar Dunn and A. Achentre.

In 1884 Dr. Bender moved to Boston, where he remained for twenty-four years, returning to Quebec in 1908, where he has since resided.

LIEUT. IRWIN RECOVERING.

Lieut. W. Eric C. Irwin, Sci. '11, one of the original officers of the First Universities Company, who was seriously wounded last summer, has now recovered sufficiently from his wounds to be invalided home. He was in Montreal yesterday, and is able to walk with the aid of a steel attachment.

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Keddy, Private Russel A., No. 466, Canadian Army Dental Corps, Montreal.

Maskrey, Corporal Harold T., 117th Eastern Townships Battalion, C.E.F., care Army P.O., London, Eng.

Connell, George, 4th Engineer, H.I.R.M.S. Mikula Sclianinovitch, care General P.O., London, Eng.

Tawse, Gunner W. J., 64th Battery, C.F.A., Guelph, Ont.

Creaghan, Gerald Francis, Flight Sub-Lieut., Royal Naval Air Service, Lincolnshire, Eng.

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Ford, C. R.—July, 1916.
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Harvey, Private William—1916.
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Drayton, Lieut. F. I.—Nov., 1916.
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Nicholson, Gunner William F.
Jones, Private A. R.—Nov., 1916.
Connor, Private J. O.—Wounded at the Dardanelles.

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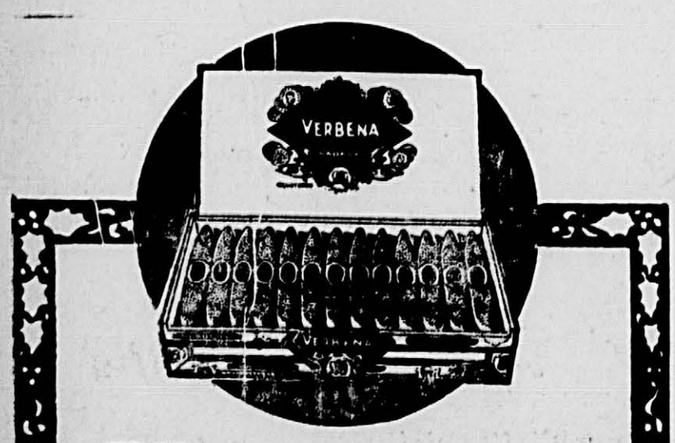

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—By A. S. N.

UNCLE SALT BASIN—THE QUEEN WHO LAUGHED.

Oh, I once knew a pippin, a regular beauty, a vision of sweetness I'll never dispel, but I left her forever—I felt it my duty—the reason for this was—she laughed when I fell! ! Why, I felt my heart throb when I first gazed upon her, my soul was ensnared in a mystical spell; from the start, I assure you, I was a clean goner; yes, she was a peach — but—she laughed when I fell! ! We were skating serenely one night in December; my eyes told the story my tongue could not tell; that day of disaster I'll ever remember, it froze all my passion—she laughed when I fell! ! 'Twas just at the turn that I felt myself going, I loosened my hold like a gallant young chap, I shot through the air like the wind that was blowing, and lit on my cranium, gosh, what a rap! ! Then I slid forty furlongs or more in a second, and punctured the solid inch planks with my head; I distinctly remember my thoughts as I reckoned the cost of my funeral if I was dead. Then there came to my ears as I lay there, by Hades, the sound of her laughter as clear as a bell, and there's much that a fellow can stand from the ladies, but that was too much— she could laugh when I fell! !

At the Campus Rink now I avoid her and shun her—I have no reason mayhap to blame her,—but— well, I admit she's a darling, an absolute stunner, a dream most divine —but she laughed when I fell! ! !

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Dear Iva,—What does the word "peaches" mean when used in the following connection? The other day I heard a boy say as I and some of my class-mates went past, "There are some R. V. C. peaches"? Thanking you in advance,

Y. O. Y. THAT PHRASE,
R. V. C. '20.

Dear "Y. O. Y."—We have never heard the word "peaches" used in this connection; don't mention it.

IVA PAYNE.

CASUAL CLARENCE.

He answers any question you like to put.

TO-DAY'S PERPETRATION.

Ques.:—Why is a Prohibitionist's life futile?

Ans.:—Because he's sure to end up on a bier!

(Clank! Clank!)

WHO

Was the Arts Freshie who studied so vigorously for an exam. the night before that he was unable to get up the following morning in time to take it?

WHO

Were the R. V. C. Freshettes who made a mistake at the Campus Rink on Thursday? What was the mistake?

WHO

Is the Arts Soph. who is so quick at making acquaintances on the mountain? Do you think he otto?

WHO

Is the member of Commerce '17 who gets off the car at the corner of Guy and Sherbrooke in order to bestow his smiles on a certain young lady? (No, this is some one else, this time).

WHO

Is the young lady?

WHO

Is the professor who announced to his class this week that they would have numerous exams. "before Christmas"?

Was he not referring to Christmas, 1917?

WHO

Is the B.Sc. Freshie who complains of feeling highly annoyed at something said about him?

WHO

Is the Second Year Med. who is receiving congratulations upon his engagement?

WHO

Is the First Year Med. who says he is going to make $5,000 the first year after graduation, and $25,000 a year within five years after that event? Should he be ducked?

WHO

Is the Arts professor whose treatment of the Seniors resembles that of a schoolmaster? "If you don't stop talking, I shall have to move your seats."

WHO

Is the Arts senior who had a "horrible nightmare" a few nights ago?

WHO

Is the B.Sc. Arts Freshman who encircled the Donalda's waist in the Chemistry Building on Thursday afternoon?

WHO

Is the B.Sc. Arts Freshman who had such a thrilling mishap with the plate of beans Thursday at noon at the Ham-and?

WHO

Is the Fifth Year Med., who has been six years at the University, and who was last night surprised when informed that there was a campus rink in existence? Get after him, Dad.

WHO

Who is the queen in the little black bonnet,
Who looks at me sideways from out of her eye?
She sits at the end of the table, dog-gone it,
And seems to be working, but really —Oh, my!
She tilts back her chair till I'm sure she is falling,
Then gazes most knowingly over her book;
And I feel in my heart that she must be recalling
The number of Sophs. she's laid low with a look.
Her black eyes are shining with sinister lustre,
As they swing round so prompt each new-comer to greet,
And it takes all the courage a fellow can muster,
To walk past the table where she has her seat.
Oh, I feel my nerves shudder as I think upon it,
I long for a rest from her gaze, and I cry,
"Oh, WHO is the queen in the little black bonnet,
Who looks at me sideways from out of her eye?

WHO

Is the Arts Freshman who produced his Handbook when "Hail, Alma Mater," was sung at the skating party last night?

WHO

Is the Freshette living in St. Lambert, who, Monday morning, gave as an excuse for missing her exam. the statement that the car was stalled?

WHO

Is the Third Year Civil student who let the skating party go by last night to attend a social at the Wesleyan College? What was the attraction?

WHO

Is the Fourth Year Railway student who is glad that he hasn't the job this winter of attending to the organ grinders on Cadieux street? THE OLD HYPOCRITE.

WHO

Is the Arts senior who now proposes that the next "fussing" party should take the form of a sleigh drive? What hidden motive has he in mind?

WHO

Is the Fourth Year Railway student who made a date at the Wesleyan College, and now regrets it? Why?

WHO

Is the Fourth Year Arts student who went to the Second Year History room yesterday to see what "the Janes" were like?

SAYINGS OF UNCLE JOSH.

It is usually the people without will power who believe in Fate.

A woman's age can be judged by the way she regards men. At twenty, the important thing is what men think of her; at forty, what she thinks of them.

Proximity is the root of all evil.

A queer person is one who does not look at life from your point of view.

We hear a lot about the value of being able to make a decision, but many a man has been ruined for life by the simple words "I will."

If you want "your anchor to hold in the storm of life," it is advisable never to be more than "three sheets to the wind."

WORRY.

Worry is the most illogical of human occupations.

It never cured a corn or took away a wart.

It never removed a stone from the road, or a thorn from the flesh.

It has landed more men in the insane asylum than in the White House.

It becomes a habit, like drink, drugs, or matrimony, and affords less satisfaction than any of them.

We know all this, we knew it before, and yet—we will keep right on indulging.

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE.

Oh! Can't some prof. from McGill,
Invent and make and sell
An onion with an onion taste,
But with a spearmint smell?

POET SCORNER.

Edited by Pyrotechnic Pete.

Well, gentle reader, this week we have a peculiarly choice bit of work to display to your startled eyes. The real source of this magnificent effort is doubtless R. V. C. '17, but we hate to hazard any guesses for fear of hurting people's feelings who have not the fortune of living in St. Lambert. The delicate suggestion that the staff is a collection of "dead ones" conveyed in the first line caught our fancy in particular. The question as to whether we were ever caught napping or not may be briefly answered. We have been so caught; the cause of the nap was the bright optics of a certain young lady who "put us to sleep" in the library in a most thorough fashion.

To the Editor of Quips:—

Dear Sir,—Can any body (sic) of your staff enlighten a reader on some of these questions, who is the great lyric who recently wrote about St. Lambert; what does he know about the place; and who renders him so frightfully sarcastic.

He signs U. B. Ware; did he ever get caught napping—it looks that way.

U. B. WARE II.

HOT STUFF!

The burning question in Arts '17—to fuss or not to fuss?

Dear Clarence,—My neighbor on the right plays a mandolin and keeps a yapping doglet. Neighbor on my left sings tenor through his nose and teaches the cornet at his home. Is there any course I can take for relief?—D. Stracted.

Dear D.—Three—you an take cyanide, commit two murders or move.

CLARENCE.

ON NEATNESS.

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The pen of a Swift is needed to represent such misery. Better, far better, never to have been born than to have been born to be a torture to oneself and a source of misery to one's friends, in a word, to have been born NEAT.

(Signed), DONALDA.

(ED. NOTE.—We were going to print the above in the original English and spelling, but—really we hadn't the heart. The fair writer evidently practices—if we are to judge by the original copy sent over to us—exactly what she seems to believe.)

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CONGREGATIONALISTS WIN IN BASKETBALL

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Last night, at the Wesleyan Gymnasium, the Congregationalists and Wesleyans played for the second time in the Intercollegiate Basketball League.

From the first the game was fast, the Wesleyans using their superior weight to rush the game, apparently setting themselves to break up their opponents' combination.

Each man was carefully watched and checked so that the game at times resembled a rough-and-tumble.

The players very often became badly bunched, and a number of penalties were awarded both sides, and double checking.

The advantage in the first half was decidedly with the Congregationalists, the only two points the Wesleyans gained being from penalties.

For the Congregationalists Jackson scored four goals, and Kelly one, while two points were gained from penalties, making a total at half-time of twelve to two in favour of Congregationalists.

During the second half the play was even faster than it had been in the first. Shortly after its commencement Plowright retired from the game, and was replaced by Halley.

The Wesleyans spurted a bit, and began to score, while the play loosened out, and the Congregationalists brought their combination into force.

The final score was 30 to 17 in favour of the Congregationalists, their scorers being Jackson, Kelly and Steed, while Servage and Campbell did like service for their side.

During the whole game the shooting was poor, although a few brilliant scores were made, while little science was displayed.

The line-up was as follows:

Congregationalists.	Wesleyans.
Right Guard.	

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JUNIOR BAR.

The Junior Bar Association of Montreal will hold a meeting in the Oak Room of the Windsor Hotel this evening, at 8.30, at which an address will be delivered by Lieutenant-General the Honourable Sir Sam Hughes, K.C.B., on "The Militia Act in Reference to Overseas Service and Constitutional Status of Dominion Troops Overseas."

A special invitation to be present has been extended by the Junior Bar Association to the students of the University, and in particular to the Faculty of Law.

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First of all, obtain a miner's certificate, from the Department in Quebec, or from the nearest agent. The price of this certificate is $10.00, and it is valid until the first of January following. This certificate gives the right to prospect on public lands and on private lands, on which the mineral rights belong to the Crown.

The holder of this certificate may stake mining claims to the extent of 200 acres.

WORKING CONDITIONS.

During the first six months following the staking of the claim, work on it must be performed to the extent of at least twenty-five days of eight hours.

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MINING CONCESSION.

Notwithstanding the above, a mining concession may be acquired at any time at the rate of $5.00 an acre for SUPERIOR METALS, and $3.00 an acre for INFERIOR MINERALS.

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